

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

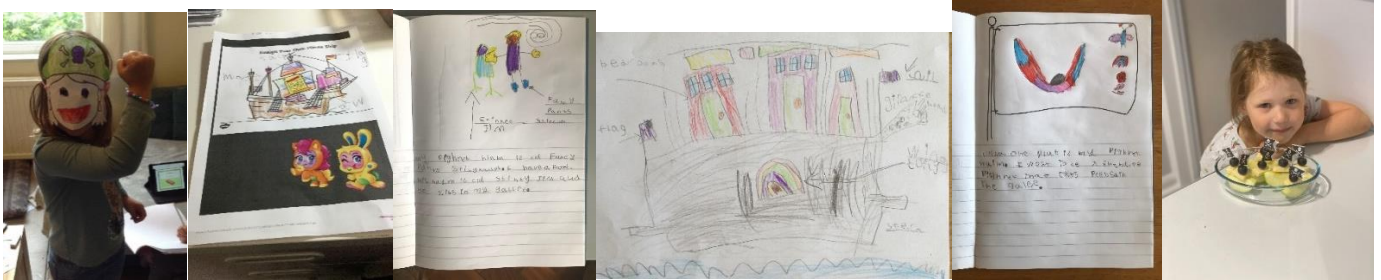
Welcome back to the Summer Term ... well sort of! This week we have welcomed back some of our Reception children and Year 1 children to school and we have also upped our distance learning offer to those who are still at home! The children at home and at school are enjoying their zoom sessions and it feels as though we are already into a good routine.

I will continue to communicate the Zoom sessions at the end of the weekly newsletter, just in case there are any changes to the schedule, so please do take a moment each week to glance at the dates.

Thank you to everyone who responded to the Story Time survey. Story time for our new starters will continue to be on a Tuesday at 5.30pm as this worked for the majority of parents. Our whole school story time we now be on a Thursday at 6pm and I will be reading a few chapters from our chosen book each week. I look forward to seeing you at story time!

What have we been learning this week...

Ladybirds have started their Pirates topic and have been designing their own pirate ships and labelling them, creating their own flags, pirate names and deciding what type of pirate they might be! In mathematics they have been practising their number formation, playing bingo and estimating amounts of objects and grouping objects in 10's.



Woodland Class are off on an African adventure, the children have been split into two groups to embark on their adventures, The Lions have been locating the continents on a map, looking at the vast variety of African landscapes, cities and animals. They have also looked at African patterns and discussed the symbolic meaning of these. In English they have written a fact file about Africa. In mathematics they have been using their knowledge of place value to add small and larger numbers, the children have also used these skills for addition by partitioning.

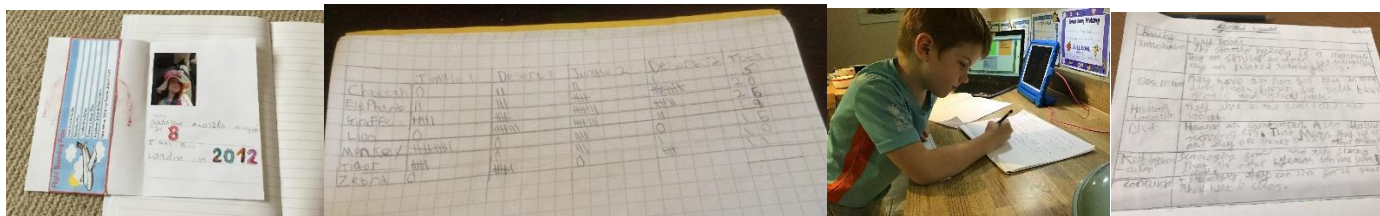


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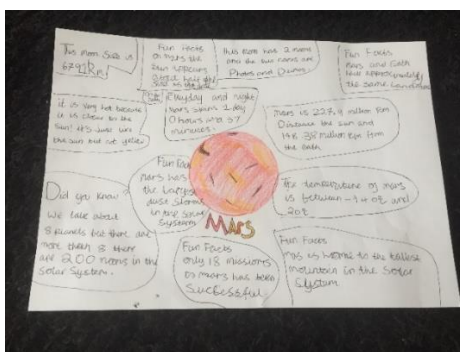
Safari Group wasted no time and jetted off to Kenya, they are embarking on their Sensation Safari Tour and have been helping the rangers collect data about the animals they have seen. They have demonstrated their table drawing skills and have tallied the animals on their journey. The children have also had to compare and question the data to help the rangers. In English they have been researching one of the animals they have seen in the Kenyan savannah, they are using a boxing up method to help them develop their non fiction writing. I will look forward to sharing some of these with you next week.

Safari Group worked hard to name the continents and oceans and locate key countries in Africa. They enjoyed packing their suitcases at the beginning of the week and made their own passports. They have been set an observational drawing challenge that looks at the textures of the animals we will see on our safari!

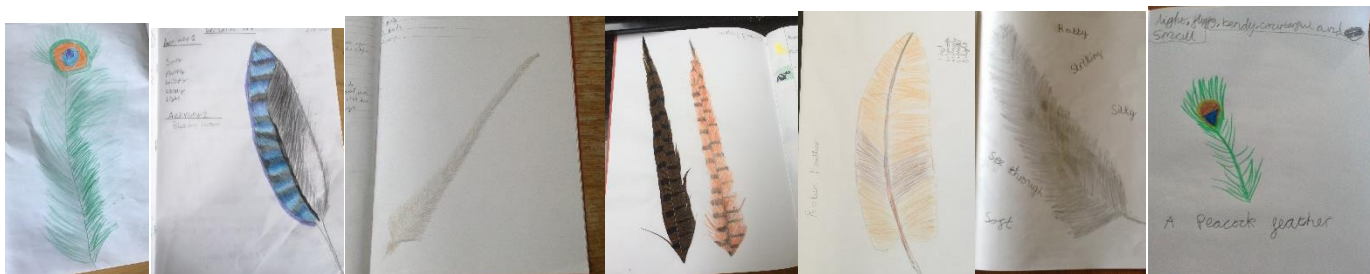


Kestrel Class have started looking at a new non fiction text 'The Truth about Trolls'. They have explored some of the vocabulary in the text and have thought about how they can use synonyms to help explain meanings. They have also been looking at how they can use pairs of adjectives to describe different parts of a troll. They will be using these descriptions to draw the troll.

In mathematics, they have been using place value grids to multiply and divide by 10 and 100. In science they have been learning about different planets in our solar system and have been creating an information leaflet about one of planets.



The whole of KS2 have been set some wildlife art activities, this week they had to sketch a feather.



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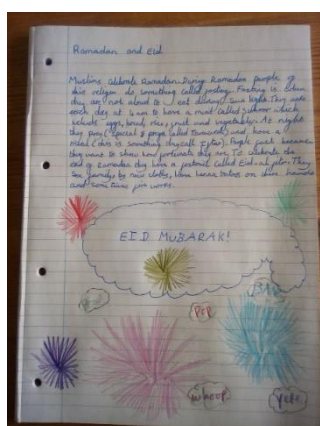
Osprey Class have patiently been waiting to open their next class reader....

The moment finally arrived on Monday and they unwrapped their copy of *Why the Whales Came*, a book written by Michael Morpugo and set at the time of the First World War on the Isles of Scilly. They have started to read it during their daily Zoom sessions and have been answering lots of comprehension questions about the text. They are going to write their own story called "The Cursed Island". They are developing techniques to describe settings and build tension and suspense.



In mathematics they have learnt how to reflect shapes in both a horizontal and vertical mirror line and have investigated how the coordinates of shapes change depending on where the mirror line is. They have also learnt how to translate shapes.

In their topic work they have started their 'Anywhere Island' project, they have have to decided where in the world their island is located and have been challenged to create a map of the island, thinking about its landmarks and features. They will be continuing to work on this project over the next few weeks.



In French they have been thinking about school and in particular, their pencil cases!

In RE the children have researched Ramadan and Eid and have produced some excellent work explaining why Muslims fast during Ramadan and how they celebrate the end of Ramadan.



Just before half term, the KS2 children were set a 'Nature Rainbow' challenge! These have made me smile, well done everyone!



Take care!

Louise Long
Headteacher

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The Week Ahead

All invites will be sent out on the morning or afternoon of the Zoom session

When	What	Who
Monday 8th June	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Class
	10.30am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 2
	11.00am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 1
Tuesday 9th June	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Class
	10.30am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 2
	11.00am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 1
Wednesday 10th June	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Class
	11.00am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 1
Thursday 11th June	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Class
	10.30am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 2
	11.00am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 1
	11.30am Ladybirds Phonics	Ladybirds
	1.30pm Pilates with Mrs Hunt	Year 1 Children
	6pm Story Time with Mrs Long	Everyone
Friday 12th June	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Class
	10.30am Woodland Zoom	Whole Class social
	11.00am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 2
	1.30pm Pilates with Mrs Hunt	Everyone

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